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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 6, 2007, finally rejecting claims 1,4, 9, 13, 14, 16, 25 and 26, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: